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The single judge system prevailed at the World's Fair in making the awards on cattle, with the exception of the Shorthorn class.

At the Eastern Maine Fair the rules placed the Jerseys all in one class whether Cattle Club or Maine registry. Years ago owners of Cattle Club herds declined to show under such a rule.

Compliments are acknowledged from A. C. T. King Secretary of the Oxford County Agricultural Society, for their Fifty-First Annual Exhibition to be held next week on the Society's ground at Norway.

The order of President Jerrard to the Superintendent of the State Fair Park was to let no privileges whatever to games of chance of any kind, and if anything of the kind was attempted on the grounds during the Fair to expel it at once.

A farmers' field day meeting will be held at the Maine State College, on Wednesday, September 27th, 1893. All who are interested in the work of the institution are cordially invited to attend. Round trip tickets, for one fare, will be sold at all stations in Maine on the Maine Central, and the Bangor & Aroostook Railroads, good to go to Orono on the 20th and 27th, and return on the 27th and 28th. Beans, bread, fruit and coffee will be served for refreshments. For anything further visitors will depend upon their lunch baskets.

Those who expect to attend this meeting will confer a favor by notifying Prof. Walter Balentine, Orono, Me.

The Valley Fair, Brattleboro, Vt. which gives special attention to dairy matters and offers high prizes on exhibits of dairy products, has an established rule that no person nor the product of any lot of cows can compete in more than one class. That is, if a person or the butter from any herd of cows competes for the premiums on print butter, a sample from the same source cannot compete for the prizes on a box or tub of butter. We are inclined to think, where the prizes are liberal, this is a good rule, and for two reasons: First, no way should be left open that a person or factory can take all the rich prizes. Second, it is proper to encourage the greatest possible number of individual exhibitors that the influence may be distributed as much as practicable. Such a rule would work well in our State Fair butter exhibition.

EASTERN MAINE FAIR.

The eleventh annual exhibition of the Eastern Maine Fair, though not in all respects what might be desired, yet it might be set down as fairly successful throughout. The horse department was well filled, and with the very best stock of the State. There was also a large and profitable exhibition of the substantial manufactures of Bangor and the county at large. In the cattle department, however, the numbers were not so large as was the case in former years nor so many as such an occasion should draw together. Those on exhibition were fine cattle but there was not enough of them.

Nearly all of the cattle, and the same was true of the sheep and swine, were from the western part of the State, with hardly a contribution from Penobscot county. This ought not to be so. The State contributes aid to this association for the benefit more especially of the agricultural interests of the eastern section of the State. For some reason it has not been successful in acquiring the confidence of the farming public of that locality. The attendance is fairly good, the receipts ample to meet all expenses. Under such conditions steps should be taken to gain the favor and draw out a patronage from that part of the State for which the work is instituted that shall fill the vacant stalls and empty tables. Without participation in its work on the part of the active and progressive farmers of that section, the influence of the exhibition will fall far short of filling its mission. We trust an improvement in this direction will be manifest at future fairs, and that through the Eastern Maine Fair, in variety, completeness and in its influence on the industries of the State may become the equal of the State Fair at Lewiston.

BLACKBERRY CULTURE.

Mr. Editor: Please tell me through your paper something about blackberry culture and what kinds to set for family use. Yours respectfully, Jos. Aug. 28, 1893.

There are only two varieties of blackberries that have ever amounted to anything in this State. These are the Snyder and the Agawam. Of these the Snyder is generally recommended for this State. Procure good, strong plants from Maine growers and plant in spring in a good, rich soil. Send to the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture, Augusta, for three or four of the last annual volumes, of agriculture of Maine, in which you will find in the pomological section directions for small fruit growing more in detail than can be given in our columns. Both blackberries and raspberries are very easily raised if one be given the right. Every family having land available should grow them for home use.

MAINE STATE FAIR.

The Thirty-Second Annual Exhibition of the Maine State Agricultural Society opened under favorable auspices at State Fair Park, Lewiston, on Tuesday last, to continue four days. Everything was in the most complete order for the opening of the exhibition. The stables, pens and halls were in readiness for the stock and the exhibits, while Secretary Twitchell had his work so well in hand that on arrival an exhibitor had only to call for his cards to find them all ready to his hand and awaiting his call. This order and promptness followed by pleasant satisfaction has taken the place of the former chaotic confusion, scolding and kicking. So much for business methods in starting the exhibition.

The different departments are officered as follows: President Jerrard, General Superintendent; A. J. Libby, Trustee Superintendent of cattle, sheep and swine; Alonzo Libby, Supt. of horses; Geo. O. Bailey, Supt. of halls; H. W. Hutchins, Supt. of tickets; E. G. Eveland, Treasurer, custodian of the funds; G. M. Twitchell, Secretary, in charge of entries and records.

Each superintendent has a sufficient trained force as assistants to conduct the work with dispatch. The Farmer's record of the Fair for this week's issue must close at 10 o'clock, Wednesday, in order to reach the office at Augusta in time to be put in type before going to press Wednesday evening.

Necessarily, then, only the opening record can be given together with the few awards made by the judges prior to the time named. Next week we shall give the completed proceedings together with a certified list of the awards in full. It is our purpose that this record shall be full, faithful and accurate, placing merit where it belongs and not misleading our readers by undue coloring of any exhibit. This only can be benefited by what we may give them of this great annual exposition of the State's industries.

The stock and other exhibits from the Bangor Show arrived by train at the Fair grounds late Saturday night and as soon as they could be unloaded were installed in the places assigned them. Though trespassing somewhat on the Sabbath, yet these exhibits during the day were set up in their proper places thus advancing the work, and forwarding its completeness in a large measure.

Fortunately Monday was pleasant and greatly favored and forwarded the further work. Through the day and till late at night trains continued to arrive freighted with fresh arrivals of stock of all kinds. Thus everything favoring through the day rapid progress was made in the work and much more than usual was accomplished this day before the fair than commonly is the case. This being early in readiness aids essentially in the work of the fair, and especially in the matter of the labors of the judges.

The experts secured for placing the awards in the different departments are as follows: Hon. C. C. Gardner, Charlestown, Prince Edward Island, horses. G. Y. Fletcher, Belmont, Mass., Jerseys.

Geo. A. Fletcher, Melrose, Mass., cattle and sheep. C. H. Hayes, Portsmouth, N. H., cattle and sheep.

H. B. May, Natick, Mass., poultry. Hon. D. A. Wadlin, Belfast, butter and cheese.

These are all men experienced in their several lines of work, and will perform their duties efficiently and impartially. Tuesday, the opening day of the fair, opened clear and bright, and in every way favorable to the work of preparation. Trains with the last arrivals of stock came in on good time, and with stray near by herds finished up the stock show. Long before noon every arrival was in place, and the stock show ready for visitors. For some reason not apparent, the judges on stock did not put in an appearance, and none of the work of awarding prizes was entered upon.

The cattle exhibition is hardly as extensive in some of its departments as was the case a few years ago. This is particularly noticeable in the class of Hereford cattle, where there is a large falling off, and also in heavy oxen. While there are as fine steers as in the show as are bred and grown anywhere in the country, yet it must be admitted that the heavy oxen and fat cattle are not in it as they were in the times of ten cent beef.

But the breeding herds, aside from the Herefords, are holding their position of merit and of numbers; while the special dairy breeds are on the increase, and show ample evidence of the intelligent attention now being devoted to their breeding. There are large numbers of choice stock of these breeds in the hands of farmers all over the State, and a good representation of it is at the show.

In numbers the Jerseys take the lead of all others, made up of about equal numbers of the Cattle Club, and the Maine State registry. There is no question but we are breeding as good stock of this popular breed as is to be found anywhere. Chas. E. Wheeler, Chesterville, shows a small herd of 11 head of this stock,

mostly Jerseys of his own breeding. At the head is the bull Maine's Exile, 2-year-old, sired by Exile of St. Lambert. At the other extremity of the string are four calves of this bull's get that show him merit as a stock bull. In the string are two cows, a three-year-old heifer, 1 two years and two yearlings.

J. F. Baker, Bowdoin, shows 17 head made up of both registries. His four years bull Bowdoin Boy is a prize winner of the first water having carried the blue from the ring on three successive years. He also has a one year bull sired by Cobb's Fancy's Harry 2d which is a fine animal. Six cows and the rest in young stock make up the herd.

C. A. Day, East Turner, shows a fine 2 years bull, Porto de Rajah and two fine heifers.

A. P. Russell, Leeds, has a large herd of 18 head Maine State Registry, among them many fine animals. His cow Clemmie won first honors at Bangor against the field of Cattle Club Jerseys on exhibition at that fair. At the head of his herd is the bull Casander, 2-year-old.

D. Crover, Jay, shows 11 head, both registries. This is a good working herd and has some promising youngsters coming on. A. C. Cow, 5 years old, sired by old Sir Florian, is a choice animal.

R. Jones, Sabatis, is a new exhibitor and came to the fair with a fine herd made up of the noted St. Lambert blood. Mr. Jones does the proper thing in seeking for the best with which to lay the foundation of his herd. His herd is made up of 11 head. Two of his heifers, one and two years old respectively, he imported, pure St. Lambert in their breeding. His bull, 2 yrs. old, Mikado of St. Lambert, is a fine representative of this valuable family of producers.

Kingside Farm, S. M. King comes to the show with a royal good herd of 17 head led by Leon of Kingside, 3 yrs. old, a fine animal in blood as well as build. No man in the State has a blood closer to the proprietor of Kingside and no pains or expense has been spared to procure the best to graft on to his herd. The result is a grand herd of producers as the cream record proves. Cow Lilla Pops is one of the good ones sired by Glen Pops. Another is Carline Sheldon, 7 yrs., a grand all the year round cow gave 400 lbs. butter the past year. Effie's Favorite gave 34 inches Cookey cream in seven days.

James M. Robinson, Winslow, has 5 head with bull Capt. Rex, 4 years, and a fine animal, solid fawn, and a beauty; four heifers, his get, and all marked his delicate, solid color.

E. P. True shows a show of a small but select herd, 3 head—a bull and two heifers.

R. F. & F. H. Briggs show a fine draft from their herd of 12 head. His bull is a gem of the breed, Fox Fawcett's First and Best, and has won many prizes. He also shows a fine show cows, and carry evidence of being performers.

W. C. Whitman, Turner, has a very select herd of Maine State stock, 12 head. Mr. Whitman breeds and keeps Jerseys for the cream they will put into the butter factory, and no animal is good enough for his herd that is not a good performer.

S. W. Carey, Turner, shows two cows, large and fine representatives of the breed, such as are making the town of Turner a famous dairy section, and its farmers prosperous in their business.

J. B. Read, Bowdoinham, has long been famous for his fine dairy work, and for the fine stock which he has raised. He shows 6 head as samples of the herd, one bull 6 years old, 2 cows and 2 heifers, all Maine State stock. Lady May of New Meadows is a fine 3 years heifer.

Arnold & Toothaker, Dixmont, show bull Duke of Dixmont, and 3 others. There was also a lot of 12 head without cards whose owner we could not find.

Gurnsey. This rival breed of the Jerseys is slowly gaining ground in the State and is showing up with some choice animals. So far they are making a good record and giving satisfaction to the owners.

O. A. Oakes, Farmington Falls, His bull, Sir William, is a fine one. He also shows heifer Question brought from Bowditch herd of Farmington, Mass. Also a bull one year old bred by W. H. DuBois of New Jersey, and a fine heifer calf.

D. W. Clark, Long Creek Farm, Cape Elizabeth shows his well known herd of 11 head. These are all fine animals.

F. C. Dunning, No. Harpswell, shows 7 head. This great milk breed is out in full force and is showing up with some choice animals of the breed. There is no mistaking the fact that we have good Holstein stock in the State. I. T. Carville, Lewiston shows a draft of 16 animals from his large herd, all fine specimens of the breed and good for the business they are made for.

One imported cow of his gave 55 lbs. 5 oz., in one day at 2 years of age. She is now 9 years old and good for a much larger amount. His bull Royal A. Fairfax is out of W. A. Russell's noted herd of Massachusetts.

S. S. Stevens, Auburn has 8 head, a good herd, and Pulsifer & Co. of same town show one cow.

A. C. Chandler, New Gloucester, shows 10 head all fine animals.

D. L. Brett, Otisfield, the veteran breeder of Holsteins of the State was present with a herd of four, every one of them a good specimen of the breed. The bull, Bell Clay's 2d Douglas is a fine animal and will scale high in merit. Cow Miss Hurd has a record for 90 days, from Jan. 1 to March 31, 1890 of 4475 pounds milk. On January 17, 1890 she gave 55 1/2 lbs. milk and for that week 37 1/2 lbs. She has made 5 inches cream, Cookey can, in one day.

F. J. Libby, Richmond, leads with 18 head of the breed. His bull, Richmond Lad is a good one. From the cow Aggie Lee 2d he sold last year \$200 worth of milk. She has given 20 quarts in a day. Another, Archie Maid has given 19 quarts a day. The cow Sinfre bought of Mr. Brett, in whose hands she was the winner of many prizes, still holds her own as a choice animal. A grade Holstein and Jersey is a promising heifer giving a large flow of milk.

Highland Stock Farm, C. B. Gilman & Son, Bangor, proprietors, shows a herd of Devon stock, 8 head, all looking finely in their deep mahogany red coats so nearly alike. This is Mr. Gilman's pet breed and certainly they have merit worthy of attention. A bull calf five months old is a fine animal and large enough of his age to do credit to any breeder.

B. T. Maxim, Sumner, shows 12 head of the same breed all in good condition. Polled Angus. Not for many years has there before been a representative of this black Polled Angus stock at the fair. I. S. Carver, Leeds, drove in a herd of twelve. These cattle are so distinct in their appearance from other breeds that they very naturally attracted much attention. They were all bred from stock obtained of the late Gov. Bodwell.

Shorthorns. The story of this breed is not a long one. We still have a few breeders in the State who know their merits and follow their breeding. Howard & Ellis, Fairfield, and their Shorthorns are a part of the Maine State Fair so long have they been present with their treasures. Both of the partners were present with their stock. Mr. Ellis, though venerable in years, still appreciates the superior value of Shorthorn blood. Ten head made up of their herd, every one of which is a good representative of the breed. Their calves are especially fine.

Sandy River Stock Farm, R. & C. D. Waugh, Starks, bring down a contribution of Shorthorns of 10 head, a very good lot. Their cow Gilsey, a model of her breed and a sample of the milking Shorthorn the farmers of this State want.

Riverside Farm, J. Y. Hatcher, proprietor, Starks, another Sandy River stock makes but a small contribution of this blood this year; 2 cows and 2 heifers. He also shows a fine pair of 3-year-old steers.

Sussex. Hall C. Burleigh and T. G. Burleigh show a herd each of the symmetrical blood of this breed. There is no breed among us that are molded and fashioned so nearly alike as are the animals of this blood. When all are alike it is useless to try to name the best. A pair of calves 8 mos. old, pure bred Hereford blood, is a fine pair.

The senior pair named, shows 13 steers all bred and raised by him in age from 3 years down, a fine thrifty lot.

Ayrshires. This breed has added one new exhibitor this year. As Trustee Alonzo Libby shows his herd of this stock.

Herman Corbett Farmington, shows a herd of 8 that are looking well and contains good representatives of the breed. Mr. Corbett speaks well of them for milk purposes.

A. A. Hannevel, New Gloucester, shows three animals of this breed, young but choice stock.

Herefords. This breed is not out in its usual numbers. A. J. Libby, Embden, has the largest herd and, of course, as good as any. His herd is made up of the scales at a ton's weight, a noble animal. The Bull Onward is a model of his kind. A fat grade Hereford cow is a beauty, weighing 1800 lbs.

Chase E. Fogg, Readfield, shows 4 cows and a bull calf, all of them right out of the pasture but gems, every one of them. The calf 6 months is as good as the best.

S. N. Hayes, Oak Hill, Poland, shows a very select herd of this fine bull calf and a heifer calf.

Grades. Walter G. Hilton, Anson, shows a herd of grades that are good for business and hard to beat. Among them is as grand a specimen of a cow as is to be found anywhere.

Working Oxen and Steers. A survey of the solid exhibit shown in this department is enough to convince one that the activities of breeding are not confined to either the race or work horse, but that oxen are finding a place on the farm.

J. G. Fish of Oakland has a yoke of 1408 lbs. of Durham, five years, weighing 3400 lbs. The same gentleman, a pair of white-faced Hereford oxen, 2 years old, weight 2200 lbs. Same, one grade Hereford ox, beef, weighing 1800 lbs. Same, pair the year old Hereford oxen, weight 3200 lbs. Same, pair seven year old Durham working oxen, weight 3200 lbs. Same, pair 2 years old working oxen, Hereford, weight 1900 lbs. Same, pair 3 years old steers grade Hereford, weight 2800 lbs. The Black Dutch, weight 2800 lbs.

J. W. Lovejoy of Livermore Falls has a good pair of one year old Hereford steers weighing 2000 lbs. Same one pair oxen. Same pulling steers, 3 years old. D. W. Rolfe of Deering has one of the choicest displays of cattle on the grounds. He has a yoke of grade Hereford matched cattle, 5 years old, weighing 3200 lbs. They are perfectly matched and the color is color, size and weight, we should say, of any.

The same gentleman shows a pair of five year old fat cattle weighing 3750 lbs. Same, a matched and fat pair, five year old, weight 3800 lbs. Same, pair year old steers, weight 3200 lbs. Same, pair year old, weight 2800, matched and well broken.

We have no doubt they will carry off a premium. Mr. Rolfe's stock is all Hereford, and he enters a team of five pairs of the breed.

Carleton C. Menter of Starks one hand some pair of grade Herefords, and two graded steers.

J. E. Weston of Starks is a large exhibitor, showing a pair of Hereford steers, eight months old; a pair six years old, a pair three years old, a pair one year old, a pair two years old, and another pair three years old.

E. A. Hilton of Anson displays pair of working oxen, four years old, grading Hereford, 2200 lbs. By Black Pilot, dam Lady Lang, by Geo. Knox. Henry P., no record, 4 years old, sired by Wm. M. Rydick. Fisher Boy, 2 years old, by Arrival. May Day, 2 years old, by Arrival. Belvedere, 5 years old, by Appleton. Daniel Wilkes, a yearling, by Arrival; dam by Daniel Lambert. I. X. L., by Nelson, 7 years old, with a record of 45.

three years old. Same, fat steers, one year old, the same breed. J. T. & J. C. Jordan of Sabatis, shows a pair of grade Hereford working oxen, five years old, grading 7 feet 5 inches, and weighing 4000 lbs. They have also, a pair of Shorthorns, 7 feet, weighing 3800 lbs; also, a pair of thoroughbred Herefords, 7 years old, 6 feet, feet, weight 2000 lbs. One odd grade Hereford ox, six feet.

Harry N. Fisher of Webster, has a pair of Durham 3 year old steers. J. H. Jordan of Webster, pair 2 year old steers, Durham and Hereford grade, 7 feet, weight 3100 lbs. Entered in the North Perkins of Jay, one pair draft oxen, of the old-fashioned Red Durham breed, 6 feet, 10 inches, weight 2800 lbs.

Samuel Smith of Livermore Falls, pair 3 year old grade Hereford, 8 feet, 3 inches, weight 4000 lbs. Entered in the list of cattle bred and raised by the exhibitors all as sweethearts.

Elli Haves of Anson, pair matched Hereford oxen, 4 and 5 years old, both having one mother, 7 1/2 feet, weight 3000 lbs.

Columbus Hilton of Anson, three splendid yoke of oxen, Hereford and Durham grade, 1 year, 4 years and 5 years old.

Hira J. Allen of Turner, pair oxen, Durham, 8 years old. They are monsters, but we were unable to learn the weight.

H. B. Bartlett of Lewiston, pair oxen 6 years old, Durham, weighing 4835 lbs. B. P. Barker of Athens, pair matched oxen, 4 years old, Hereford.

Fred M. York of Athens, now owned by Eastman Hathorn) steers 16 months old, entered for matched and fat cattle. A. W. Lowe of Gorham, pair Durhams 7 years old, 7 feet, 5 inches. Same, pair 6 years old, 7 feet, 10 inches.

A. J. Libby & Son of Oakland have an entire show of itself. They have thirty-one head of cattle on the grounds, but in this connection we mention only the oxen and steers. They have five splendid yokes of oxen, Hereford—4 years, 8 feet, 3 inches, weight 4500 lbs; 5 years, 7 1/2 feet, for beef; 5 years, 7 feet, 3 inches; 4 years, matched, twins; 5 years, working oxen, 6 feet, 10 inches. They have also two pairs of matched yearlings.

Luther Hannevel of South Solon, has a pair of matched cattle, 4 years old, Hereford, 7 feet, 5 inches.

Clyde G. Blake of Oakland has a pair of 2 years old Herefords, weighing 3300 lbs., and another pair of the same age weighing 2800 lbs. They are trained steers, taking the first prize at Bangor.

Geo. Knight of Deering, has two pairs of fine Durham oxen, 5 and 7 years old.

The General Show—The Track—The Horses. All was busy about the grounds even in the early hours of Monday morning. Old popularity and everybody is predicted good weather, and that of itself is an ingredient that cannot be dispensed with in a successful fair. You may have your exhibits without number, but unless the sun shines and the skies are propitious, the people will not come in paying numbers.

The Maine State Fair has come to be a gigantic institution. When we consider that the list of entries in the week's races alone amounts to one hundred and eighty-five of the best horses in Maine, it may well be judged that the people who annually flock to this Mecca looked for lively work.

And how the hotels were crowded! Rooming at a premium, and there was an immense overflow in the private houses, where the most hospitable entertainment was afforded. The people of Lewiston and Auburn are always ready on these occasions to extend the most liberal hospitality for a reasonable compensation.

We find the track in the best possible condition, showing the effects of the patient and painstaking work done upon it. All that is to be expected to be entirely satisfied with the track, and while it is not as fast as some, is an easy track for the horses.

Let us just take a run in the Horse Department, where most important interest centers. The preliminaries promise the most extensive exhibition ever seen in Maine, as our readers will agree.

The stable that first attracts the eye of the lover of the horse is that of H. Wesley Hutchins of Auburn, and some twenty-five stalls, filled with specimens of his trotting stock and get, at the head of which stands the magnificent and noted stallion, The Seer, with a record of 2:10 1/2. Mr. Hutchins' pair is by this horse, and to-day he is priceless. Here we find Lon Seer, a yearling, with a record of 2:51 1/2; Sidnet by Sidney, 2:10 1/2; Seersucker by The Seer, owned by young Dr. Garcelon; Slide by The Seer, starts in the yearling race. There is the old and productive mare Carrier Pigeon, with Sidnet's first colt by her side—Sidnetta, born the 6th of last March. Another beautiful colt by The Seer, was born the same month. The colt's name is Glorion, a proper name indeed, it being a double cross to the great Electioneer. Miss Tuttle is one-year-old, by The Seer, out of a Patchen mare. Don Seer, 2-year-old, is by The Seer, dam by Gideon. 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COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

Mr. C. S. Ayer is now calling upon our sub-
scribers in Somerset county.
Mr. J. W. Kellison is now calling upon our
subscribers in Waldo county.

The editor of the *Farmer* is engaged
to serve as one of the judges at the New
Hampshire State Grange Fair at Tilton,
Sept. 12-14.

The apple crop, which was not at all
promising before, was nearly ruined by
the gale of last week. Not only were
most of the apples blown from the trees,
but the trees themselves were stripped
of their leaves and branches. The few
apples raised are generally of an inferior
quality.

The *Eastport Sentinel* celebrated its
seventy-fifth birthday, last week, by is-
suing a handsome souvenir, an illustrated
historical sketch of the paper. A fine
portrait of N. B. Nutt, who has ably
steered the craft since 1855, also portraits
of other proprietors, sketches of East-
port and of the various officers are given.
The *Sentinel* is one of Maine's enterpris-
ing, reliable papers and all its friends
hope its years may be prolonged even to
seventy times seventy-five.

In the United States circuit court,
Wednesday, Thomas B. Atkins of New
York was appointed receiver of the
Nicaragua Canal and Construction Com-
pany, an application of Louis Chapin,
a stockholder. The application for re-
ceiver was acquiesced in by President
Warner Miller, who says the company
has no longer means to meet its obliga-
tions. The late scandals in France of
the construction of the Panama canal
seriously affected the American com-
pany, and owing to the financial stringen-
cy, it could not sell securities.

The new Chinese Minister, accompa-
nied by his wife and three children, the
members of his official suite and servants,
numbering fifty-seven in all, arrived in
Washington Tuesday last, over the Penn-
sylvania road. There was a large
gathering at the station to witness the
arrival. He was met by the retiring
Minister, Mr. Tsui, and the attaches of
the outgoing Legation. The party was
driven to the Arlington Hotel in nine
landaus and several coaches. Elaborate
preparations had been made for their
reception. The entire Pomroy House
annex had been engaged as quarters.

The *Maine Farmer* acknowledges the
receipt of a complimentary ticket to the
53d annual fair of the New York State
Agricultural Society, which is to be held
at Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 14-21. The so-
ciety has expended \$25,000 in new build-
ings this year, and for beauty and com-
pleteness their grounds are not surpassed
by any in the country. Upwards of 6000
entries have been made for the coming
exhibition, the largest number the so-
ciety has ever had. The entries include
some of the largest breeders in the west-
ern States, besides exhibits from all the
leading stock farms of the State of New
York.

Some interesting experiments in mili-
tary cycling have just been made in
Moscow, under the direction of the Com-
mander of the Forces of the Moscow Dis-
trict. Small parties consisting of an
officer and three or four men in full
marching order, with rifles, etc., set out
simultaneously from Vladimir and Yaroslavl,
to Moscow, and from Moscow to
Vladimir. The Vladimir route of 120 1/2
miles was done with a full night's rest
and frequent stoppages, the best time of
three separate journeys being 34 hours,
and the longest 42 1/2 hours, of which
only 17 were spent in actual riding. The
Yaroslavl route of 170 1/2 miles was done
in 44 hours, including two full nights'
rest of 16 hours, and 28 hours' actual rid-
ing.

Lubec had a grand celebration Friday,
the occasion being the first landing of
the International S. S. company boats at
the new wharf just completed. For
years the people in that town had no
landing and were compelled to boat
everything to and from Eastport. The
new wharf and warehouse built by a
stock company, approached a cost of
\$15,000. The Cumberland and New
Brunswick both touched and were greet-
ed with salutes of artillery. A banquet
was given to the company of invited
guests and a grand ball took place this
night. President Winslow, General
Manager Coyne and other directors and
stockholders of the International com-
pany were guests of the town and the
event Friday marks an epoch in the his-
tory of the busy and prosperous town of
Lubec.

Hon. Harry C. Ide of St. Johnsbury,
Vt., has been tendered the position of
chief justice of Samoa. This position is
filled by the consent of the three treaty
powers, Germany, England and America.
Mr. Ide's nomination came by recom-
mendation of Germany during President
Harrison's administration and was re-
cently taken up by the present adminis-
tration. The appointee was at one time
United States land commissioner at
Samoa, and his acquaintance with people
and customs there and his recognized
ability as a lawyer would serve him to
excellent advantage in the position. The
Samoa chief justice has final jurisdic-
tion over many matters of importance,
including the settlement of land claims
and cases involving the rights of foreign-
ers on the island. He is practically the
originator of legislation there. The
naming of an American for the office
naturally insures due recognition of
American interests in that locality.

ANCIENT PISCATAQUA.

The ancient Piscataqua, the place to
be visited this week by the Maine His-
torical Society, as briefly referred to in
our last issue, in historical interest ex-
ceeds that of any other place in Maine,
and is second only to Plymouth, Mass.
The Piscataqua River, though the third
in importance among our Maine rivers,
is but little known to the people in the
central and eastern portions of the State.
Its navigable portion, in length, does
not compare with the Kennebec and
Penobscot, but so far as the Piscataqua
proper is navigable, it is equal in every
respect to either of those named. Its
volume of fresh water may not be as
great, but its tremendous tidal currents
more than compensate for this, and ren-
der the river equal to any emergency
for purposes of navigation.

The Piscataqua was discovered by
Martin Pring, in 1603, who entered it
and probably proceeded up as far as
Quamphagan Falls. He particularly
described its wealth of forest, especially
its growth of pine. In 1614, John
Smith, who discovered the Isles of
Shoals, also sailed up the Piscataqua,
and traded with the Indians. He also
gave a glowing account of the "gallant"
river, and of the natural wealth of the
entire region. From this time the local-
ity was frequently visited by fishermen
of various nationalities who came to the
Maine coast in pursuit of their calling
every year.

In 1622, a grant was made to Gorges
and Mason of a large tract of land, in-
cluding the Piscataqua country, and the
following year, a settlement was made
on what is now the New Hampshire
side, at the mouth of the river, now
known as Odiome's Point. A house was
built for one of the proprietors, known
as Mason Hall. Other small houses
were built for the use of the settlers, a
small defensive work was erected, and
salt works established. It was to be a
fishing town, as the establishment of
the salt works clearly indicates. The
settlement did not increase much until
1631, when about 80 persons—stewards
and planters—were sent over, and estab-
lished themselves at Strawberry Bank,
now Portsmouth. Among them were
able and stalwart men who were des-
tined to make their mark in the colony.
Humphrey Chadbourne, the ancestor of
all that name in Maine, built for the
proprietor, Mason, what was for many
years known as the "great house at
Portsmouth." Mason intended it for a
manor house after the English style, but
he died in 1635, before carrying his
ambitious schemes into effect, and his
affairs fell into great confusion.

Ambrose Gibbins, one of Mason's
stewards, came over in 1631, and estab-
lished himself at Newichawannock, now
South Berwick, where he did a little
farming and traded with the Indians.
In 1634, Mason sent him from England
the material for two saw mills which
were put in operation that same year.
These were probably the first mills on
the river. In 1643, Gibbins moved to
Sander's Point, and was succeeded at
Newichawannock by Humphrey Chad-
bourne, who that year bought a large
tract of land of Sagamore Rowles of the
Newichawannocks, thus ignoring the
claims of both Gorges and Mason, and
the title to the land is based upon this
Indian title to this day. Rowles re-
served his dwelling place at Quamphagan,
but a year or two later he sold this to
Thomas Spencer. He still owned his
ancient planting ground at Tompson's
Point, but this he sold to Jane Treworgie
for two bottles of liquor.

Just when the first settlement was
made at Kittery Point is not known. It
is pretty well authenticated that the
first house built there was for Alexander
Shapleigh, who came over in his own
ship, and is the ancestor of numerous
New England families of this name.
Shapleigh soon settled at Sturgeon
Creek in the present town of Eliot,
where his posterity still reside. His
house at the point was long occupied as
a tavern, first perhaps by William Hilton,
who was driven from his home at Hil-
ton's, now Dover Point, by the Mason
interest, (he afterwards sued the widow
Mason and recovered), then by Hugh
Gunnison and others. The keeper of
this hostelry was also required to keep a
ferry to Great Island, now New Castle,
and to other points on the river.

Without entering into detail, as early
as 1640, permanent settlements had
been made at Kittery Point, and so around
the head of Spruce Creek, at Sturgeon
Creek in Eliot, at Newichawannock in
Berwick, at Portsmouth, Oyster River in
the present town of Durham, N. H., at
Hilton's Point, at Dover and at Exeter.
These scattered places were under no
regular government, but had relations
with each other, and had certain com-
binations which answered in lieu of an
established government. Collectively
they were called the Piscataqua Planta-
tion. In 1641, all the settlements on the
west side of the Piscataqua, came under
the jurisdiction of Massachusetts.

Gorges Court was established at Gor-
geons in 1640 and its jurisdiction extend-
ed over the entire province of Maine.
Later came William Pepperell, a fisher-
man, first to the Shoals and then to Kittery,
where he became a famous mer-
chant and the richest man in the Pro-
vince; he was the father of Sir William;
John Bray, a famous ship-builder, whose
daughter Mary captured young William
Pepperell, and thus became the
mother of Sir William; Francis Cham-
pernowne of almost royal descent, a near
relative of Gorges, who besides much
other land, was the owner of Champer-

nowne's Island, now divided and known
as Cutts' and Gerrishes Islands; these
and many others had settled on Kittery
soil comparatively early.

Mills were early built at Newichawannock,
now called Great works, at Stur-
geon Creek, at Spruce Creek, at Quamphagan,
and at Salmon Falls. The settle-
ment at the latter place was on the
border, to the north of which was an
unbroken wilderness extending to the
St. Lawrence. In 1605, there were 20
saw mills on the Piscataqua, and its
wealth of pine timber was rapidly dis-
appearing. The Indians called the river
Piscataqua from its mouth to Quamphagan,
and from that point it was called
Newichawannock, now the Salmon
Falls river. The Isles of Shoals part
of which fell to Mason, and a part to Gor-
ges in their division were also settled
early and one of them was organized by
the name of Gosport, and sent two re-
presentatives to the General Court. The
people engaged in fishing, and the is-
lands were covered with the parapher-
nalia necessary for curing fish. The re-
lations between the islanders and Kittery
people were very close, and when
the fishing business declined, many of
the islanders settled upon the main in
Kittery.

The members of the Maine Historical
Society will be shown the old Pepperell
House where Sir William was born, and
the monument that marks the last rest-
ing places of the now extinct family.
They will be shown the house built by
Lady Pepperell after Sir William's death,
and the famous Cutts mansion. They
will also be shown other ancient dwell-
ings and the sites of many more. They
will be shown the Navy Yard, situated
partly upon Fernald's Island bought by
the government in 1806 for \$5500, and
partly upon Seavey's Island bought in
1850 for \$105,000. Badger's Island will
be shown, from which many a staunch
ship has been launched in time passed.
Should they visit Portsmouth, many an
ancient landmark will be pointed out. In
its prime, Portsmouth was a great ship-
ping port, and its vessels laden with
the products of land and sea, have visited
almost all parts of the habitable globe.
Should they sail up the Piscataqua,
every point, inlet, cove and creek has its
story, many of them connected with the
Indian troubles, when the souls of those
hardy settlers were sorely tried for a
period of three-fourths of a century,
from the breaking out of Phillips war,
in 1675, to the fall of Quebec in 1759,
during which hundreds of brave men and
helpless women and children of the Pis-
cataqua country, were slain, and hun-
dreds more carried captive to Canada.

Spinney's Cove and Eliot Neck will be
seen on the left bank of the Piscataqua,
and farther up on the west side is Cutts
Eddy, opposite where Lady Ursula Cutts
was stopping at her farm house looking
after her hay-makers, when the savages
swooped down upon them and slaugh-
tered them all. Nearly opposite, on the
Eliot side, Frank's Fort will be pointed out,
but its legend is not as tragic as the one
last named. It is now only a sand knoll
connected with the bank by a bar at low
water. Tradition says that an early set-
tler here had a son whom he had occasion
to discipline, and that the young scape-
grace not taking kindly to it, ran away,
crossed the bar and took refuge on the
island. The father attempting pursuit,
was kept back by a volley of stones
thrown from the little island, and as the
boy's name was Frank, the island from
that time took the name of Frank's Fort.
It is so called in conveyances prior to
1650. An early conveyance of this island
speaks of it as containing an acre; it
now contains probably not more than 3
or 4 square rods, and will soon be en-
tirely washed away. Cool Harbor on the
Eliot side, marks the spot where Nicho-
las Morrell had a ferry nearly 200 years
ago, and still farther is the mouth of
Sturgeon Creek, where the brick-makers
live and thrive at their trade. On the
Dover side among many interesting
landmarks, "Bloody Point" will be
pointed out, so named because a bloody
battle was expected at one time to come
off there between rival claimants to the
soil, but never did come off.

In 1647 Gorges died, and the civil
wars in England left the Maine Colonists
to take care of themselves. The courts
were kept up, and in 1648, combinations
were formed among the towns for the
security of life and property. It has
been recorded in a great many histories
that Kittery was incorporated as such in
1647, but such is not the fact. The
York county court records show that in
Dec. 1649, an order was passed giving to
Piscataqua and describing its limits to
cover ancient Kittery including Berwick,
and "Piscataqua plantations," the name
"Piscataqua" and "Piscataquack," had
been applied to Kittery, though in some
records the name "Kittery" appears to
have been used. We find it first in a deed
dated 1638. There is no doubt that the
town was named from Kittery, a town
near Dartmouth, England, from the
vicinity of which Shapleigh, Champer-
nowne, Treworgie and others of the early
settlers came. Of course in this brief
sketch, we have been able to touch upon
only a very few of the many points of
interest connected with this historic re-
gion. The Maine Historical Society is
to be congratulated upon having been
able to make satisfactory arrangements
for the observance of their Field Day, at
a place so rich in historic incident and
so closely connected with the early his-
tory of the State. We trust that some-
thing important in the interest of Maine
history may grow out of this visit.

Dr. Graves, who was convicted at Den-
ver, Col., of the murder of Mrs. Barnaby,
and who was granted a new trial, com-
mitted suicide in the county jail, at Den-
ver, Sunday night. He left several let-
ters, in which he stoutly denied his guilt.
The great Webster said, "Suicide is con-
fession," and there is little doubt but
that the maxim applies in this case.
New evidence had been discovered which
would have very much strengthened the
case of the government at the second
trial, which was soon to come off.

DANIEL T. PIKE.

Death is often portrayed as a grim
monster and regarded as the enemy of
the human race, but if this view be cor-
rect in some cases, it certainly is not in
others. To him who has lived out a
well rounded life and enjoyed a goodly
measure of life's blessings, when the
vital forces have become weakened by
age and disease, so that there is more of
pain than of pleasure in living, the silent
messenger comes as a friend, as a sweet
relief, loosens the silver cord, and free-
ing the soul from its clod of clay, speeds
it away to its eternal rest. This was it
in the case of Daniel T. Pike, who de-
parted this life at his home on Green
street early Monday morning, Septem-
ber 4th. Mr. Pike retired from business
many years ago on account of failing
health, and since that time has lived
quietly with his family and while not be-
ing able to go about much, he has great-
ly enjoyed the visits of his numerous
friends. He has been a great sufferer
from rheumatism, but apoplexy is said
to have been the more immediate cause
of his death.

Daniel True Pike was born in Litch-
field, this county, March 26, 1814, and so
was in his eightieth year. He was the
son of Nathaniel Pike, a Litchfield phy-
sician, and his mother was a daughter
of Daniel True of the same town. His
ancestry in both lines is from Essex
county puritan stock, and his ancestors
were men of mark in colonial times.
Mr. Pike was brought up at farm work,
attended the town schools and at Kent's
Hill, then came to Augusta and entered
the office of the *Patriot and State
Gazette* as an apprentice to the printers
art. His first newspaper venture was
the starting of the *Radical* a Jacksonian
organ at Ellsworth in 1835, but this he
sold out at the end of a year. He re-
turned to Augusta and having studied
law in the office of the Westons, he
was admitted to the Kennebec bar. He
then went to Illinois and was absent a
year or two, when he returned and prac-
ticed here. He was elected Secretary of
the Maine Senate in 1846, and was three
times re-elected.

In 1848 he became connected with the
Age a paper to whose columns he
had frequently been a contributor. He
conducted the paper with great ability
from that time to 1856, when the concern
was sold out to the Fullers. Subse-
quently they sold it back to Mr. Pike,
who, after the breaking out of the war,
sold it to Gilman Smith. During the
war Mr. Pike was engaged in recruiting
men for the army in which he was suc-
cessful and accumulated quite a property.
The *Age* newspaper had gone down dur-
ing the war and was subsequently re-
vived as the *Standard*. This was pur-
chased by Mr. Pike for his son about
1880, and the name changed to *New Age*.
Mr. Pike contributed to the columns of
this paper until he retired from journal-
ism and from business some years ago.
In the seventies he spent some time at
Santa Barbara, Cal. for the benefit of his
health and while there engaged some-
what in the real estate business.

While editing the *Age* he was for sev-
eral years official reporter of legislative
proceedings, and was ever a favorite
with the members. He was one of the
ablest newspaper writers the State has
produced. He was brim full of spark-
ling wit which gave him great advantage
in his tilts with newspaper opponents
during the exciting political campaigns
in which he took an active part. Social-
ly he was the prince of good fellows, and
numbered among his intimate friends
the leading men of the State in both po-
litical parties. Though he was a deep
and logical reasoner and could write
profoundly when he chose, yet humor
was his ruling passion, and some of his
wittiest and brightest hits, were contri-
buted to the *New Age*, describing the
horrors of rheumatism and drawn from
his own experience.

Mr. Pike married in 1841 Miss Cilmena
M. Parlin of Winthrop who survives him
in feeble health. Besides two daughters who
died young, they had Horace who
served in the late war, and lost a leg;
was in the regular army and died some
years ago in California, and Manley H.,
a well known humorous writer for juve-
nile periodicals.

In the U. S. Circuit Court, Friday
morning, Judge Webb rendered a deci-
sion in the case of Michael Burns of Au-
gusta vs. Charles R. McFadden of Wa-
terville, former sheriff of Kennebec
county. It will be remembered that
Burns was a liquor dealer in Augusta and
that a warrant was issued to search his
premises which was served by McFadden,
who seized liquors which Burns
claimed and proved were imported into
the State in the original packages.
Therefore the supreme court of Maine
held that the liquors were not liable to
seizure and ordered them returned and
they were. After the return of the
liquors, Burns sued McFadden for dam-
ages in the circuit court. Friday the court
decided that the warrant protected the
officer in his seizure, and rendered judg-
ment in McFadden's favor.

Deacon Wm. L. Bonney, father of
Judge Bonney of Portland, died at his
home in Turner, Saturday morning.
Deacon Bonney was born in Turner 74
years ago, and has always lived in that
place. He was a prominent man in town
affairs and was for 12 years the first
selectman, and represented Minot in the
State legislature back in the fifties, and
was postmaster for several years. He
was a leader in the affairs of the Baptist
church and a man who fully lived up to
his creed. His advice was eagerly
sought on legal matters, especially on
probate business, and no one ever asked
aid without receiving it. For several
years his health has been failing, but the
end came suddenly. He leaves a wife
and one son, Judge Bonney.

We acknowledge the receipt of com-
plimentary tickets to the Fair of the
Kennebec Agricultural Society to be held
at South Windsor Sept. 19-21. Our
friend F. H. Mooers, Secretary of the
Society has our thanks for his thought-
fulness.

The Kennebec Steamboat Co. is
selling round trip tickets to Boston,
good to return any time during remainder
of season, at greatly reduced rates.

FEARFUL ACCIDENT.

The Chicago limited Express on the
Boston and Albany railroad broke
through an iron bridge near Chester,
at 12.30 Thursday and four Wagner cars
were crushed, killing 14 persons and
fatally injuring several others. At least
a score were badly hurt. The wreck
was the worst ever known on the road.
The train was seven minutes late at
Chester. Railroad hands say it was go-
ing 20 miles an hour when it struck the
first of two spans across the Westfield
river. The locomotive seemed to leap
across the bridge as the trusses collapsed
and fell over to the south. There are
a few houses in the vicinity and a man
driving by, whipped his horse and gave
alarm through the village street. In a
few minutes hundreds were on the scene.
Nearly every house along the
Huntington road was converted into a
hospital during the night, and many of
the victims also found refuge at
Wright's hotel. Some ten or a dozen
of the slightly injured patients were
permitted to depart for home early in
the day.

Superintendent Gallup of the Railroad
said that he was at a loss to know where
to lay the blame. The civil engineer of
the road had been working on the mat-
ter, but as yet he has been unable to find
any cause why the bridge should go
down.

Among the instantly killed was Mr.
John E. Dewitt of Portland, President
of the Union Mutual Life Insurance
Company and one of the best known
business men of the State. He was re-
turning from a business trip to Chicago,
and at the time of the accident sat read-
ing a magazine. Mr. Dewitt was born
in Pennsylvania and was about 54 years
of age. Early in life he went to New
York, where he was clerk in a mercan-
tile house. Later he became interested
in insurance and was made agent of the
Phoenix of New York. From the Phoenix
he went to the United States Life
Insurance Co., of which he was made
president, building up the company from
a small beginning to a great company.

In 1870 he was made president of the
Union Mutual Life Insurance Co. of
Maine, which then had its headquarters
in Boston. In 1881 the company moved
its headquarters to Portland, by reason
of the law enacted by the legislature of
Maine requiring companies to hold offices
here. Mr. Dewitt was a man of fine
artistic tastes. His home on Deering
street was one of the most attractive in
Portland. He possessed one of the finest
libraries in the country and the second
best collection of etchings by celebrated
artists. He was a prominent member of
the Cumberland and Falmouth clubs,
director in one of the founders of the
Portland National Bank, and a Democrat
whose advice and judgment was eagerly
sought by the party in Maine although
he always refused to accept office. Mr.
Dewitt married Miss Hawley, cousin of
Senator Hawley of Connecticut. She
survives her husband and also two chil-
dren, Clarence, a student in Yale col-
lege, and Bertha.

Another one of the killed was Mr.
Thomas Kelley of Boston, proprietor of
the Columbia Mills at Lewiston. Mr.
Kelley, senior, and his daughter, Miss
Amy, were returning home from the
World's Fair. The younger Mr. Kelley
had been at Chicago with his father and
had left the city for home one train
ahead of them, and had only been at
home a few hours when he learned of his
father's death. The daughter of Mr.
Kelley had her collar bone broken and
was otherwise severely hurt.

The society of Christian Endeavor had
a series of interesting meetings in Port-
land, last week. The closing session
was held on Friday, when addresses
were made by Rev. G. D. Lindsay, Port-
land; Mrs. L. M. Stevens and Gen. Neal
Dow, on temperance. Rev. J. S. Wil-
liamson of Augusta spoke on social
problems; Rev. W. S. Ayres, Portland,
on Bible work, and Rev. F. E. Clark
conducted the question box.

The following officers were elected:
Pres. J. R. Townsend, Augusta; Vice
Presidents, Rev. Martyn Sumnerbell,
Lewiston; Rev. George D. Lindsay,
Portland; and Rev. C. E. Owen of Houl-
ton; Secretary, Emily W. Milliken,
Augusta; Assistant Secretaries, Adele
R. Gilpatrick, Hallowell, and Frank L.
Bartlett, Auburn; Treasurer, H. A. M.
Neely, Saco; Directors, H. W. Rowe of
Fort Fairfield; A. B. Taylor, Bangor;
Rev. D. M. Pratt, Portland; Rev. L. S.
Bean, Gorham; F. S. Corson, Houlton;
G. E. Smith, Portland; Rev. L. W.
Phillips, Lubec; F. E. Jones, Vassalboro;
W. H. Allen, Lubec. Voted to hold
the next annual convention in Lewiston.

There was a reunion of Company F,
23d Maine Regiment, at South Paris last
week, the first since the regiment was
mustered out, more than thirty years
ago. The commissioned officers of the
company were, Horace N. Bolster, Cap-
tain; Wm. B. Lapham, First Lieutenant,
and Solomon A. Bolster, Second Lieut-
enant. Of the 97 mustered into service
27 were present, 32 were accounted for,
28 deceased and 10 unaccounted for. It
was thought best to form a company or-
ganization, which was perfected under
the name of Company F, 23d Maine As-
sociation. H. N. Bolster was elected
President; E. F. Goss, Vice President;
J. H. Barrows, Secretary; E. F. Goss,
Treasurer; G. W. Cole, John F. Libby,
Freeland Young, executive committee.
By invitation of J. H. Barrows it was
voted to hold the next annual reunion at
Bethel. The meeting closed with a
campfire.

The death of Charles Clark, Esq., for-
merly of Portland, occurred in Lynn,
Mass., at Hotel Seymour, Monday, at
the age of 80, from a paralytic stroke.
Charles Clark was born in Limington,
York county, Me., on November 4, 1813.
He was a son of Nathaniel Clark, Esq.,
of Limington, a shoe manufacturer by
trade and one of the oldest members of
the Masonic Fraternity in that part of
the State. Nathaniel Clark, Esq., was
the father of thirteen children by his
two wives—six sons and seven daughters
—eight of whom are now living. Charles
Clark was once well known in Maine
having served as United States Marshal,
and held other positions.

CITY NEWS.

A severe frost is said to have oc-
curred in the Bond brook neighborhood,
early Sunday morning.

Dr. A. H. Chamberlain of Rome,
Italy, has been the guest of Judge True
the past week. He has been taking in
the World's Fair.

Twenty out of the 44 prisoners con-
fined in the Kennebec county jail are
held to await the action of the Grand
Jury, an unusually large number.

At the election of officers, last week,
George A. Philbrook of this city was
elected Colonel of the Second Maine Regi-
ment.

The ice house in Britt's gully owned
by G. A. Cony and C. H. White was
blown down Tuesday's gale. Its cap-
acity was 8000 tons. Loss about \$2500.

State Detective True brought here in
the Boston boat, Thursday, John J. Don-
ovan, aged 14 years, one of the boys im-
plicated in the robbery of the house of
G. S. Burleigh of Vassalboro.

John M. Erskine, of the firm of Er-
skine & Packard, has left for the World's
Fair, to be gone three weeks. He goes
at the expense of the Baker Extract Co.
of Portland, having been a winner in a
recent guessing competition for prizes
offered by the company.

Mrs. Howard S. Smiley of Grove
street died Friday night, at 8.30 o'clock,
after a lingering illness from consump-
tion. The funeral services were held
Monday morning at 10 o'clock, at the
residence, and the remains taken to Sidney
for burial. She was 32 years old.

Ben Copp, arrested for drunkenness,
set fire to his cell and was unconscious
when rescued. He revived and was put
in another cell and was setting that on
fire when discovered. He was then
taken to jail and afterwards fell over
backward onto the floor in what ap-
peared to be a fit, cutting his head bad-
ly. He has since been adjudged insane
and committed to the Insane Hospital.

Board of Assessors.

The State Board of Assessors were oc-
cupied nearly all day Tuesday with the
petition of the electric railroad for taxa-
tion as horse railroads at 1-10 of 1 per
cent. for every \$1000 gross earnings per
mile with an additional 1/4 of 1 per cent.
for every additional \$750, not exceeding
1 1/2 per cent. The Portland Street
Railway appeared by its president, Hon.
Chas. F. Libby, Treasurer William Woods
and General Manager William R. New-
man, and the Augusta Hallowell & Gar-
diner and Rockland, Thomaston & Cam-
den R. R. Co's by Hon. O. D. Baker.

The argument of the companies is prac-
tically the same; first, that the chapter
of the Revised Statutes relating to horse
railroads practically includes all forms
of street railway, horse propulsion be-
ing the only method then known; sec-
ond, that the provisions of the charters
granted them by the legislature particu-
larly includes them with horse railroads.
The board took the matter under ad-
visement.

The fourth anniversary of the first
dedication of Good Will Farm, occurred
Saturday, and the new cottages built by
C. M. Bailey of Winthrop and Hon. H.
H. Fogg of Bangor, were dedicated. The
morning was fair, and promptly upon
the arrival of the morning train from
Waterville, a dedicatory service com-
menced simultaneously in the two cot-
tages. In the Bailey cottage the services
opened with singing "Sunshine in My
Soul," after which Mr. Hinckley made
brief but very interesting remarks, trac-
ing the progress of the work from its in-
ception up to the present auspicious oc-
casion. He then presented Charlie
Parker, one of the boys, who, by the
way, has been selected by Bowdoin, class
of '93, as their pupil to educate. He
read portions of the 37th Ps., the Psalm
which Mr. Hinckley explained was the
foundation of the work in which he was
engaged. Rev. J. M. Frost of Bangor
then offered a most fervent and appropri-
ate dedicatory prayer, after which Mr.
Bailey, the donor of the cottage, was pre-
sented, and spoke a few words of en-
couragement to the boys in his most im-
pressive manner. After again singing,
Mr. Frost pronounced the benediction,
and the services were at an end. At
Fogg cottage, Rev. I. B. Mower of Skow-
hegan offered the dedicatory prayer, and
Edith Gardiner, a Bangor boy, read the
37th Psalm. Mr. Hinckley spoke of the
success that had attended the work un-
der God's guidance and direction, and
referred in a very feeling manner to the
cordial manner in which both Mr. Fogg
and Mr. Bailey had donated the several
cottages that bear their names. He also
named the donors of the furnishings in
the several rooms at this cottage. The
exercises closed with singing and the
benediction by Rev. Mr. Mower, and
some little time was spent in inspecting
the several cottages upon

